



# City Council Minutes

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City Council Chambers, 747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma, Washington 98402

July 1, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

Council Members Present: 9 ~ Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma.

The Flag Salute was led by Council Member Talbert.

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

- a. Minutes of the Human Rights Commission, May 15, 2003.
- b. Minutes of the LESA Executive Board, May 21, 2003.
- c. Minutes of the Planning Commission, June 4, 2003.
- d. Minutes of the Public Safety Committee, May 22, 2003.
- e. Minutes of the Task Force on Disabilities, May 22, 2003.
- f. Monthly Financial Report for Tacoma Water, April 2003.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting, June 10, 2003 and study session, June 17, 2003; and the Committee of the Whole, May 20, and June 3, 2003.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Consent Agenda be approved. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Consent Agenda was declared approved.

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## PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed July 11, 2003, to be "Salute Armed Forces Day" and presented the proclamation to Assistant Chief Jim Howatson of the Tacoma Police Department.

Mayor Baarsma proclaimed July 2003 to be "Parks and Recreation Month" and presented the proclamation to Mr. Tim Reid, Metro Parks Tacoma, Board of Park Commissioners.

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## REGULAR AGENDA

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, AND APPOINTMENTS

#### Resolution No. 35892

Appointing individuals to the Citizens Advisory Panel.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to amend Resolution No. 35892, Exhibit A, to include the Reverend Dr. Eugene Wiegman as an alternate member representing Associated Ministries. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Speaking before the Council:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
Will Baker	www.pcinsider.com

Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution, as amended, was declared adopted.

### FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

#### Ordinance No. 27109

Authorizing the issuance and sale of Water System Revenue and Refunding Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000, to finance or refinance costs of capital improvements to the water system and to refund the outstanding Water System and Refunding Revenue Bonds, 1993, and the 2003 Line of Credit.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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**Ordinance No. 27110**

Authorizing the execution of grant agreements with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for community-based human services for 2003-2004 totaling more than \$5.5 million.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 8 – Evans, Ladenburg, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

Recused: 1 – Lonergan

The Ordinance was declared passed.

**Ordinance No. 27111**

Amending Chapter 1.30 of the Municipal Code, relating to retirement and pensions, to allow individuals returning to work after being honorably discharged from military service an opportunity to pay required contributions for service credit rights granted under the Uniformed Service Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

**Ordinance No. 27112**

Amending various sections of Chapter 8.109 of the Municipal Code, relating to public safety and curfew for minors, to add a definition of "errands," as an approved exemption during curfew hours.

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 9 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, McGavick, Miller, Moss, Phelps, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 0

The Ordinance was declared passed.

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**Ordinance No. 27113**

Amending various sections of Chapter 11.05 of the Municipal Code to expand the boundaries prohibiting skateboarding to include the County-City Building, Tacoma Dome, Link Light Rail, and the Thea Foss Waterway and prohibit the riding of bicycles on the Chihuly Bridge of Glass, Grand Stair, and Plaza connecting the Chihuly Bridge of Glass to the Thea Foss Public Esplanade.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to continue Ordinance No. 27113 to the meeting of July 29, 2003, per the request of staff. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

The Ordinance will be considered at the City Council meeting of July 29, 2003.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Purchase Resolution No. 35893**

Awarding contracts to:

1. Aarohn Construction, on its bid of \$88,260.00, for the construction of a pole building near the Police Department's Harrison Range on McMurray Road, to use as a Police training facility – Specification No. G-256-03;  
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*(Item No. 2 was continued from the City Council meeting of June 24, 2003)*
2. Pease & Sons, Inc., on its bid of \$701,594.00, for biosolids processing building improvements at the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant – Specification No. G 262-03;  
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3. Golf Landscaping, Inc., on its bid of \$195,380.00, for detention pond rehabilitation in the northeast Tacoma area – Specification No. G-264-03;
4. General Mechanical, Inc., on its bid of \$86,877.00, for Tacoma Dome floor trenching and concrete work – Specification No. G-015-03; and
5. Western Peterbilt, Inc., on its bid of \$148,458.29, for one or more low entry, semi-automated, recycle trucks – Specification No. G-017-03.

Council Member Phelps moved to waive further reading based on information provided. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved to adopt the Purchase Resolution, including removing Item No. 1, per the request of staff. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Purchase Resolution was declared adopted.

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Mayor Baarsma extended his appreciation and the appreciation of the Council to Ms. Janis Pipal for her service as the Intern in the City Manager's Office. He also welcomed Mr. Michael Crisp, as the new Intern.

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**Resolution No. 35894**

Approving the release of an easement to Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife for public fishing and boating access to Lake Kapowsin in Pierce County.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member McGavick. Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.

**Resolution No. 35895**

Thanking Ray E. Corpuz, Jr., for his many accomplishments during the 13 years of service as City Manager; exercising the City Council's authority under Tacoma Municipal Code Section 1.12.270 and City Charter Section 3.1, relative to his employment; and designating James L. Walton as City Manager effective July 15, 2003.

Deputy Mayor Moss moved that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Council Member Talbert.

Council Member Lonergan moved to amend page 2 of Resolution No. 35895 by inserting, at Line 19, the following paragraph:

Whereas Mr. Corpuz has recently communicated his willingness to return from his administrative leave and reassume his duties, but the extraordinary circumstances and the need to maintain the public trust that supported granting him administrative leave on May 6, 2003, are still present and would interfere with an effective resumption of his duties, and. . .

Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Speaking before the Council:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address/Affiliation</b>
Joe Fortier	Resident
Will Baker	www.pcinsider.com
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman
Robert Wardell	3815 North Pearl Street
Lara Herrmann	Herrmann Law Firm, Women for Justice
Sherry Bockwinkel	Northend resident
Robert Hill	Resident
Steve Apling	Resident
Shirley Gordon	Resident
Nancy Hogan	4330 South Bell Street
Rick Cvitanich	2808 North 8 <sup>th</sup> Street
Harry Widdifield	3910 28 <sup>th</sup> Avenue East, #C
Aletha Walker	8101 83 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue SW Apt., E-13, Lakewood
David Thompson	315 East D Street
Allen Douglass	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A
Gail Leigh	Resident

Speaking before the Council continued:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>
David Allen Murray	2006 East Columbia Avenue
Janis Martin	Founder of Safe Homes
Martin Dunn	5015 North 26 <sup>th</sup> Street
Darin Dressler	1857 North Skyline Drive
Michele Reich	1206 South 11 <sup>th</sup> Street

Roll call vote was taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes: 5 – Evans, Ladenburg, Lonergan, Talbert, and Mayor Baarsma

Nays: 4 – McGavick, Miller, Moss, and Phelps

The Resolution was declared adopted.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **REPORTS BY CITY MANAGER**

No Report.

## **COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Baarsma reported that the Appointments Committee has not reached a consensus on the appointment to the Utility Board. The two candidates under consideration will both be interviewed by the City Council, possibly next week.

Council Member Lonergan acknowledged and congratulated long-time City employee Tom Benston, who retired from the Public Works Department.

Council Member Phelps welcomed Mr. Jim Walton as the new City Manager. He also recommended considering an employment contract for the City Manager position to clarify issues such as retirement and severance pay.

Council Member McGavick congratulated Mr. Walton as the new City Manager. She requested a meeting with Mr. Walton regarding specific concerns over certain Department Directors.

Council Member Miller congratulated Mr. Walton as the new City Manager.

Council Member Ladenburg congratulated Mr. Walton as the new City Manager, and said she looks forward to working with him to move the City forward.

City Manager Jim Walton requested to return to the City Manager Comments. He stated that he is here to do the very best job that he can. He agreed with Council Member Phelps that a contract for the City Manager position is the best thing to consider. He understands that the position is at-will, and he accepts the position and the opportunity.

**CITIZENS' FORUM**

Citizens' Forum began at 7:04 p.m.


Speaking before the Council:


<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Affiliation</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Charles Woodke	2650 Bay Street	Bay Street Closure
Don Foster	PO Box 1516	Bay Street Closure
Marty Johnson	2610 Bay Street	Bay Street Closure
Will Baker	Piercecountyinsider.com	Speaking before Council
Michele Reich	1206 South 11 <sup>th</sup> Street, 98405	Crime in Tacoma
Shirley Gordon	715 North Ainsworth	Junk Vehicles
Robert Wardell	3815 North Pearl, Apt. K-1	Vandalism
Nancy Hogan	4330 South Bell Street	Corpuz Retirement
Phyllis Barrett	912 South Cushman	Police Department
Lara Herrmann	3321 North 36 <sup>th</sup> Street	Victim Safety
Rick Cvitanich	Women for Justice 2808 North 8 <sup>th</sup> Street	Alcohol Improvement Area/Resolution 35871
Sherry Bockwinkel	1524 Tacoma Avenue South	Police Personnel
Allen Douglass	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A	Invitation to his Wedding
Janice McWhirter	507 South J Street, Apt. 1-A	Invitation to Wedding
Harry Widdifield	3910 28 <sup>th</sup> Avenue East, Apt. C	Police Communications
Mike Rosatti II	1038 Broadview Drive	Skateboarding
The Reverend Eric Flynn	Faith Based Community	Thanked Mike Lonergan for Resolution 35895
David A. Murray	2006 East Columbia Avenue	Domestic Terrorism
Tim Mulligan	420 East 34 <sup>th</sup> Street	Skateboarding

Citizens' Forum closed at 8:12 p.m.

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On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

  
 BILL BAARSMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:   
 DORIS SORUM, CITY CLERK

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